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Since it is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), a letter for payment of fee set forth
in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to
the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

Copies of these references are enclosed herewith.

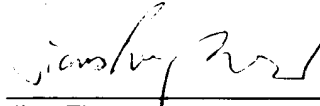
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The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

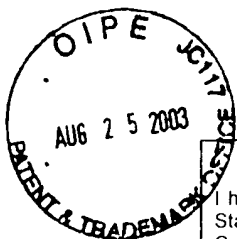
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An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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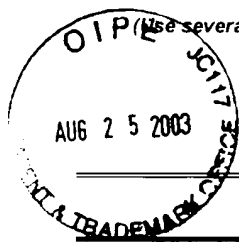
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	AA	6,090,995	7/18/00	Reich et al.	623	11	2/28/97
	AB	6,280,760	8/28/01	Meyer et al.	424	423	5/9/98
	AC	5,648,186	7/15/97	Daroux et al.	429	192	6/6/96
	AD	4,987,032	1/22/91	Miyasaka et al.	428	411.1	6/24/88
	AE	4,309,453	1/5/82	Reiner et al.	427	54.1	1/28/80
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, Etc.)

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